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SUBJECT: GVN NOTE OF JANUARY 6 SENT TO PARTIES TO ACT OF INTER-
NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM

1. GVN HAS AGAIN SENT A NOTE TO PARTIES TO ACT OF INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM CONCERNING COMMUNIST ATTACKS IN PHUOC
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LONG PROVINCE. TEXT OF NOTE, DATED JANUARY 6, FOLLOWS:

2. BEGIN TEXT: NOTE NO. 24/BNG/31. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM SIGNED IN PARIS ON 2 MARCH 1973, AND HAS THE HONOR TO CALL THEIR ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING.

3. PURSUING THEIR POLICY OF ARMED AGGRESSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM, THE NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMED FORCES HAVE CONTINUED THEIR ATTACKS AGAINST ADMINISTRATIVE SEATS OF THE PROVINCE OF PHUOC-LONG AND POSITIONS HELD BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM.

4. ON 31 DECEMBER 1974, THE COMMUNIST FORCES BEGAN A MASSIVE SHELLING INTO THE DISTRICT TOWN OF PHUOC-BINH (YU 135.065) AT 4 KM SOUTH WEST OF THE PROVINCE OF PHUOC-LONG. THOUSANDS OF ARTILLERY ROUNDS OF VARIOUS KINDS WERE FIRED INTO THE DISTRICT TOWN WHICH WAS SUBMERGED ON THE SAME DAY BY THE OTHER SIDE'S NUMERICALLY SUPERIOR FORCES SUPPORTED BY TANK UNITS. THE FATE OF MORE THAN 29,000 INHABITANTS IN THE DISTRICT TOWN IS AT PRESENT UNKNOWN.

5. ON THE SAME DAY, THE COMMUNIST FORCES, AGAIN SUPPORTED BY TANK UNITS, ATTACKED AND SEIZED THE GARRISON OF VAN-KIEP (YU 147.075) AT 1 KM NORTH EAST OF THE PHUOC-BINH DISTRICT TOWN.

6. ON 1 JANUARY 1975, THEY ATTACKED AND SEIZED THE BASE OF BA-RA (YU 184.068) AT 1 KM EAST OF PHUOC-BINH DISTRICT TOWN, FOLLOWING THOUSANDS OF ARTILLERY ROUNDS.

7. THUS, PHUOC-BINH, THE LAST DISTRICT TOWN LEFT TO PHUOC-LONG PROVINCE, HAS ALSO FALLEN INTO THE COMMUNISTS' HANDS, AFTER THEIR SUCCESSIVE SEIZURE OF THE OTHER THREE DISTRICT TOWNS OF DUC-PHONG, BO-DUC AND DON-LUAN.

8. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM WISHES TO CALL THE ATTENTION OF THE PARTIES TO THE EXTREMELY CRITICAL SITUATION PRESENTLY PREVAILING AT THE PROVINCIAL CITY OF PHUOC-LONG WHOSE POPULATION OF 39,976 WOULD BE VICTIMS OF THE ILLEGAL ATTACKS AND INVASION OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE.

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9. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM HAS REPEATEDLY DENOUNCED BOTH TO THE PARTIES AND TO WORLD OPINION AT LARGE THE INCESSANT MILITARY ATTACKS BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE AND ITS AVOWED POLICY OF VIOLENCE AND LARGE SCALE HOSTILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM. THE CASE OF PHUOC-LONG PROVINCE CONSTITUTES THE MOST ILLUSTRATIVE EVIDENCE OF SUCH A POLICY AND OF THE BRAZENNESS OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE.

10. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM STRONGLY DENOUNCES AND SEVERELY CONDEMNS THESE CYNICAL ACTS OF WAR PERPETRATED BY THE NORTH VIET-NAM ADMINISTRATION AND ITS SOUTHERN ARM, THE SELF STYLED "PRG", IN UTTER CONTEMPT OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION, AND PARTICULARLY OF ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE PEACE STRUCTURE DEvised BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM.

11. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM REITERATES ITS UNSWERVING POLICY OF STRICTLY RESPECTING AND SERIOUSLY IMPLEMENTING ALL PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, BUT UNDER THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, HAS TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE HOSTILE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAVE RESULTED IN SUCH A SITUATION THAT IT HAS TO TAKE ALL MEASURES WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO DEFEND ITS TERRITORY AND ITS PEOPLE, AS WELL AS TO PRESERVE THE PARIS AGREEMENT. FOR THIS DANGEROUS STATE OF AFFAIRS, THE COMMUNIST SIDE - ESPECIALLY THE HANOI ADMINISTRATION - HAS TO BEAR FULL RESPONSIBILITY.

12. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM EARNESTLY REQUESTS THAT THE PARTIES, EITHER INDIVIDUALLY OR THROUGH JOINT ACTION, TAKE ALL MEASURES THAT THE SITUATION REQUIRES, TO PUT RAPIDLY AN END TO THE ACTS OF AGGRESSION OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE AND TO INDUCE THE COMMUNIST SIDE TO FULLY RESPECT AND SERIOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT. UNLESS THIS REQUEST IS ACTED UPON DILIGENTLY AND POSITIVELY, IT IS FEARED THAT THE WHOLE STRUCTURE OF PEACE THAT THE PARIS AGREEMENT ENDEAVORED TO ESTABLISH WOULD BE INEVITABLY JEOPARDIZED.

13. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM THE

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